



LOCAL FIREMEN WILL DANCE SATURDAY NIGHT 10:30

On Saturday evening the local Fire Department will hold its sixth annual dance in the Blue Moon Hall in this city and all plans have been completed for the occasion. The best of music have been engaged and the big floor put into the pink of condition for the affair.

The dance has been well advertised and the boys are expecting a large crowd. The admission has been put at one dollar for gentlemen and ladies will be as usual complimentary.

The money derived from these dances is used by the members of the department for equipment and as no one knows when it will be his turn to call on the department it behooves all residents of the Fire District to purchase one or more tickets, whether or not they expect to attend. Then when the department is called they will have the needed equipment to work with and the one who calls them will be getting interest on his money from the protection given him.

REPUBLICANS OF THIS COUNTY ORGANIZE

At a meeting held in Redwood City on Tuesday evening the Republican County Central Committee perfected organization, electing Horace W. Amphlett of San Mateo chairman; J. E. A. Miller of Daly City, vice chairman; County Clerk Elizabeth M. Kneese, of Redwood City, secretary and D. E. O'Keefe of this city treasurer.

Other committees named are: D. E. O'Keefe, Menlo Park; Horace W. Amphlett, San Mateo and George Dunn, Half Moon Bay, publicity; Harry Jenkins, Burlingame, A. L. Stockton, Daly City, and D. A. Raybould, San Mateo, finance; J. D. Bromfield, Burlingame, David McCullough, Burlingame, Fred W. Winter, Daly City, Edward P. Kauffman, South San Francisco, Francis T. Rapp, San Mateo, David Campbell, Daly City and James G. Mason, Menlo Park, organization.

Attorney J. E. McCurdy, San Mateo, was named as head of the resolutions committee, and his assistants are D. A. Raybould, San Mateo, and D. E. O'Keefe, Menlo Park. Resolutions will be drawn for adoption on Tuesday, September 18th.

Mrs. C. A. Bain of San Mateo, was selected as chairman of the advisory committee of the women's organization.

NINETEEN-TWENTY-EIGHT BANNER TELEPHONE YEAR

The year 1928 will mark a new high point in telephone development. At the present time extensions of service and improvements of facilities are being made to a greater extent than ever before.

A recent announcement states that more than \$11,000,000 in addition to the immense sum already authorized is to be spent on constructing new long distance facilities. This brings the total to be spent this year on long distance circuits to almost 50 million, as compared with 36 million spent in 1927.

The public has made this necessary, by a steadily growing demand for long distance service. During the first half of this year an increase of 20 per cent over 1927 has been noted.

The telephone industry, by making it simple to talk to persons hundreds of thousands of miles away at small cost, has performed a great social service.

MRS. ROGER LAPHAM ENTERTAINS AT DINNER PARTY

Mrs. Roger Lapham gave a dinner on Sunday evening at her summer home here. The guests included Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. Eva Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Blade, Mr. and Mrs. Eli Weil, Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. McCormick and Philip Paschel.

Miss Carol Lapham, who has been spending the summer in this city with her parents, left this week for the East and will enter Smith College for the fall term. She will return for the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. W. L. Roper, who has been quite ill at her home for the past three weeks, is again to be out and around among her many friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Eyre, Miss Mary Eyre and Mrs. Cora Parker have returned from a short stay at Carmel.

Pinning a Medal on Him

Kirby in New York World, Feb. 20, 1920



Those qualifications and achievements which make Herbert C. Hoover so eminently desirable as the next President of the U. S. have never been better described than by Charles E. Hughes at the Carnegie Hall meeting at which the Civic Forum's medal for distinguished public service was conferred upon Mr. Hoover.

"The Americanism of Hoover is shown in every deed, in every utterance. His achievements dignified the nation, and established prestige for the American name abroad which even the mistakes of diplomacy cannot obscure. He bears a name illustrious because of remarkable achievements; but, best of all, it is a name untarnished, expressive not only of exceptional ability but of the simple life of a modest citizen."

This is the opinion of a man who has been a distinguished Governor of New York, a distinguished Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court, and the Republican candidate for President of the United States. It is likewise the opinion of an increasingly great number of American citizens of all parties, men and women alike.

Where is there another candidate, Democratic or Republican, to match him?

From an Editorial in the New York World (Democratic) Feb. 20, 1920.

CITY FATHERS HOLD RED HOT SESSION TUESDAY NIGHT

A unanimous vote of confidence was tendered the police department by the City Council at the meeting held last Tuesday evening in the city hall. The rumors which had been widely circulated about the streets to, to the effect that the police department was due to be disbanded failed to materialize and instead the members of the board took the occasion to score the circulators of the false rumors and the tales of slander that have been going the rounds of the city against practically all of the officials and declared that in the future no attention would be paid to such tales unless they were made in writing and properly filed with the city clerk.

Councilman A. E. Blake stated that he, as commissioner of police should receive the report of Chief of Police Furman. He stated that in the past the Chief had been reporting to any member of the council who happened to be handy, but that in the future he should demand that all reports be made to him alone. Mayor Weeden took exceptions to these remarks and stated that he thought it was perfectly proper for the police to report to any member of the board.

Councilman Walker raised an objection to the fact that the building inspector did not report to him and that as a result, he did not know any thing about his department until the building plans were laid on the table at the board meeting.

After quite a lengthy discussion it was decided that City Attorney George K. Whitworth should inform each of the city officials as to just what his duties are.

Police commissioner Blake reported his department had collected \$1220 in fines and licenses during the past month. The report of the chief of police was read and showed that from January 1, 1928, to September 1, 1928, there had been collected in fines and licenses the amount of \$7422.69.

Fred Metcalf is leaving for a short business trip.

COUNTY DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE ORGANIZES FOR COMING CAMPAIGN

With the enthusiasm that characterized the old-time Democracy of San Mateo county, the party's County Committee met in Redwood City on Tuesday September 11th, and perfected an organization. Judge John J. McGrath of San Mateo presided and Edward Scott was elected secretary. The county representation was complete.

The following committees were appointed:

Publicity Committee—J. V. Swift, George Walsh, Joseph Quinlan, Geo. S. Whitehead and William J. Savage. Finance Committee—George Walsh, Edward Stack, W. J. Savage, Daniel McSweeney, Wm. J. McGourty.

Organization Committee—James J. Casey, Joseph Quinlan, William Miller, John D. Daly, Clement Shields.

Resolutions were unanimously adopted endorsing the national Democratic platform, adopted at Houston, and pledging support to the party's candidates for president and vice president, Alfred E. Smith of New York and Joseph T. Robinson of Arkansas. The same support was pledged to Minor Monroe for United States Senator, and to Cecelia Casserly for Congress.

The next meeting will be held at San Mateo on Saturday, September 22.

MENLO LIGHTING DISTRICT PETITIONS FOR BETTER LIGHTS

A petition signed by A. L. Jameson and 28 other residents of the Menlo Park highway lighting district was received by the board of Supervisors on Monday, asking the board to increase the candle-power of a number of the lights on Middlefield Road in the vicinity of the new Garfield school, and the petition was ordered referred to Supervisor John W. Poole.

Mrs. Nelle G. Fletcher of the Menlo Specialty Shoppe, has purchased the remaining holdings of W. E. Davis at University Heights. She will improve the property.

MENLO PARK RESIDENT PASSES AWAY NEAR DOS PALOS

Death summoned Ambrose B. Partee of this city last Saturday. Partee was accidentally drowned when his car skidded from a small bridge on the highway and plunged into an irrigation canal. Partee is said to have been partially blinded by the headlights of an approaching car.

Partee is survived by his wife, Mrs. Evelyn Partee and four children, Gordon, Catherine, Gene and Benjamin Partee. He also leaves two sisters, Mrs. Ben Weeden of this city and Miss Grace Partee of Palo Alto. He was a native of this city.

The oldest son, Gordon Partee, attends the Sequoia high school and is prominent in athletic circles there.

The funeral was held Wednesday morning from the Tinney Funeral Home, thence to St. Thomas Aquinas' Church, Palo Alto, where a requiem mass was celebrated at 10 o'clock for the repose of his soul. Interment was in Holy Cross Cemetery, in this city.

ATHERTON POLICE FIND LIQUOR IN RAID

In a raid on the establishment of Louis Gaspari on Marsh road, Atherton, Saturday night, Chief of Police Mull confiscated five jugs of whiskey, eight cases of beer, a barrel used for wine making, six kegs of wine, assorted glasses and bottles and punch board articles. There was no one at home at the time of the raid, but Gaspari was arrested the next morning and will face Judge G. Elmer Jennings on Monday.

WATER SYSTEM IS ACCEPTED BY THE COUNTY

The board of supervisors last Monday accepted the Ravenswood Water System, completed July 31 by E. W. Redman, contractor, on the recommendation of County Engineer George A. Kneese.

Mrs. E. E. Bates of San Jose was a local visitor Wednesday.

EVERYTHING IN READINESS FOR MASONIC DANCE WEDNESDAY

Menlo Park Masons will gather on Wednesday, the 19th at the local Masonic hall for an entertainment and dance to be given by the Masonic Temple Association. All arrangements have been made for both the entertainment and dance and all who attend are assured of the best of times.

There are several unique features on the program for the evening and as the local Masonic fraternity is noted for its hospitality a large crowd is anticipated.

While it has not been definitely stated as a fact rumor has it that this is but one of many events that will be staged by the Hall Association this winter. It is also rumored that a fine new Masonic Temple will be built in this city in the near future.

TELEPHONE LINES GIVEN TEST EACH MORNING

Long Distance telephone lines which enable Palo Alto subscribers to talk to all points in the United States are tested every day in the year says John Worthington, local manager for the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company.

Between five and six o'clock in the morning, before the average man has begun to think about the problems of the day, and while the lines are least busy, each district office makes a test of the long distance lines within its territory.

The object of this test is to determine if the main lines of wire are ready for the day's work and every thing is in perfect order for the heavy load that will soon come humming along.

When the general plant manager of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company reaches his office at headquarters in New York City he is informed at once of the condition of the main long distance arteries all over the country.

SAN BRUNO MAY DISPOSE OF 1144 DELINQUENT LOTS

San Bruno has finally hit upon a solution that may clear up the delinquent lot situation there—a cloud that has hung over the city's progress for several years. If the plan materializes, it may net San Bruno \$85,000, enabling the city council to proceed with extensive plans for civic improvements and the purchase of the Uncle Tom's Cabin property as a city park.

A commission composed of Councilmen James McDonald and William Maurer and City Attorney Rudolph A. Rapsey, will attempt to sell San Bruno's 1144 lots upon which taxes are due, with the city bearing expense of foreclosure suits necessary to obtain clear title to the lots.

Residents of the city of San Bruno will have the preference to the lots, which will sell for \$150 to \$350 per lot, the price ascertained by their location. Ten dollars down will buy a lot, with monthly payments of \$10 and interest.

SHERIFF NOTIFIED OF STOLEN AUTOMOBILE THIS WEEK

The office of Sheriff James J. McGrath at Redwood City was notified this week of the theft in Palo Alto of a Star roadster, 1927 model, belonging to E. Durkin, of this city. The license number of the car is 1-990-356. Every effort is being put forth to recover the machine.

MAN WANTED BY SHERIFF CAUGHT IN SAN FRANCISCO

Antonio Sharpas, formerly a barber at the United States Veterans' Hospital in this city, who is wanted by the San Mateo County officials on a charge of petty theft, was reported detained in San Francisco by federal authorities on an alleged charge of issuing fictitious checks, according to a report telephoned to Undersheriff Ed Farrell.

L. E. Harris was called to San Francisco yesterday on account of a breakdown in the machinery in the Recorder office.

Clarence Chandler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry A. Chandler of the Star Grocery store, is in O'Connor's Hospital, San Jose, where he underwent a major operation this week. He is reported as doing nicely and will soon be out again.

COUNTY WINS CUP AT THE BIG STATE FAIR

The San Mateo County exhibit was awarded first prize, a large silver cup, or having the best featured booth at the State Fair in Sacramento this year. The cup was presented to the board of supervisors Tuesday morning at their meeting by G. F. Walker of San Carlos, who was in charge of the exhibit for the San Mateo County Chamber of Commerce. The cup is now on display in the county chamber exhibit on the State highway at San Carlos.

San Mateo county won a special award for flower baskets, this being exhibited by Y. Takahashi of Montara, and also second sweepstake for flower baskets.

Other awards were as follows: First premium, blue ribbon for ferns, Park Sterns, Atherton.

First premium, blue ribbon for foliage, age, Sterns, Atherton and Porter, Menlo Park.

First premium, blue ribbon for zinnias, Roos, Atherton and Porter, Menlo Park.

First premium, blue ribbon for chrysanthemums, Watanabe, Redwood City.

First premium, blue ribbon for roses, McLellan, Burlingame.

Second premium, red ribbon for carnations, McLellan, Burlingame.

Second premium, red ribbon for sweet peas, Newton, Daly City.

Second premium, red ribbon for asters, Mrs. Eva, San Mateo.

TOWN KILLERS

People who kill a town: Those who oppose improvements. Those who run it down to strangers. Those who never advertise their business. Those who distrust public-spirited men. Those who show no hospitality to any one. Those who hate to see others make money. Those who oppose every improvement that doesn't originate with themselves. Those who put on an extra long face when a stranger talks of locating in their town. Those who oppose every public enterprise that does not appear of personal benefit to themselves.—R. C. Standard

PALO ALTO PARLOR, N. D. G. W. TO GIVE CARD PARTY MONDAY

Palo Alto Parlor, Native Daughters of the Golden West, will give a card party, the first of a series, on Monday evening, September 17th, it was announced today by Miss Pearl Bryon, president of the organization.

The party will be held in the Native Sons hall at Palo Alto, for the purpose of raising funds for the order. The small charge of 25 cents will be made for those participating. The public is invited.

Miss May Elizabeth Swinnerton, the beautiful daughter of the famous cartoonist maw married to Ralph Winfield Scott of San Francisco on Wednesday afternoon the Rev. Ralph Smith officiating. The ceremony took place in Trinity Episcopal Church in this city.

Unless present plants miscarry the Menlo Park Recorder will move from its present location on Oak Grove avenue to a store on the highway near Santa Cruz avenue within the next two or three weeks. New machinery will be added to the plant at that time.

Rumors on the street seem to point to the fact that a portion of the residents of the city, at least, desire the library removed from its present location in the city hall to a place where it will be by itself. A source of complaint seems to be that the local police court is no place for children.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay T. Cooper of this city are leaving today for the northern part of the state on a hunting trip. They say they will bring home the bacon but the Recorder staff is much more interested in the venison.

Denis Merz, veteran railroad man of this city has gone to the Railroad Hospital in San Francisco. Last Monday he suffered a severe hemorrhage at his post on Oak Grove avenue but true railroad traditions he stuck to his post until relieved.

Mrs. Jay T. Cooper and Mrs. Gardner attended a meeting of the county federation of Women's Clubs in the county seat on Tuesday.

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**CURTIS PLEDGES
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Vice-Presidential Candidate Asks
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Agricultural Situation, He Ex-
plains, Is of Deep Economic
Importance to Citizens.

By
U. S. SENATOR CHARLES CURTIS
Republican Vice-Presidential Candidate.

Senator Curtis, in his Address of Acceptance, stressed the importance of prompt action on the question of farm aid. "The problem," he declared, "is of deep-seated economic importance to every citizen without regard to occupation or political party." He added the significant thought that "properly its solution is and always should be, non-partisan." For the leadership of such a non-partisan movement, involving the expenditure of hundreds of millions of dollars by the federal government, he declared that the leadership should be Hoover's—a man well worthy of the party's choice.

THE question of the proper relief for Agriculture is a trying and perplexing one. The problem is of deep-seated economic importance to every citizen without regard to his occupation or his political party.

Properly, its solution is and always should be, non-partisan. I am convinced that if a small joint committee of the House and Senate were appointed to study the problem and to find its proper solution, the necessary relief quickly could and would be afforded. The Committee could be assisted in its task by the advice and



experience of the most capable experts on the subject whose services can be obtained.

It will be remembered that for years we had great trouble with the problem of settling our standard of value. The failure to settle the question had brought forth the Greenback Party, and later the Free Silver party. In 1899, that great and able statesman from Maine, Thomas B. Reed, a, pointed a Committee of Eleven to draw a measure fixing the standard of value. In three weeks the committee had agreed upon a draft of a bill, and the Gold Standard Act of 1900 was the result. We have had no trouble with that question since then. If such a committee could settle so satisfactorily that great and vexing question, surely a similar committee of able legislators specifically charged with the task could agree upon an agricultural relief plan which would be equally satisfactory.

The solution will be found, and found promptly. Our party has pledged itself to the development and enactment of measures which will place the agricultural interests of the United States on a basis of economic equality with other industries, to insure its prosperity and success.

Philosophy of Farming

Encouragement of Agriculture always has been a Republican doctrine. It is a necessary part of our philosophy of government. Agriculture is the basic industry of the country and in the very nature of things will ever be so. Whatever is to the detriment of the farmer is, eventually, to the detriment of all our citizens; his welfare and prosperity are inevitably reflected in the welfare and prosperity of the whole nation.

Many plans for the encouragement of Agriculture have been proposed, and many have been given effect by our party. In the course of my political life every one which in my opinion promised an appreciable measure of sound relief has had my whole-hearted and active support.

Of recent years, two farm measures have been introduced by me in the Senate. Two Democrat members of the House joined in their preparation and introduction. The first was known as the Curtis-Aswell Bill. It created an Interstate Farm Marketing Association. Its purpose was to promote and stimulate the orderly flow of agricultural commodities in commerce; to remove burdens and strains on such commodities in commerce; and to provide for the processing, preparing for market, handling, pooling, storing and marketing of agricultural commodities through co-operative marketing associations. The object of this measure was to place the marketing organizations under the ownership and control of the farmers themselves. The other measure was known as the Curtis-Crisp Bill. Its object was to enable the farmers to stabilize their markets against undue and excessive fluctuations; to preserve advantageous domestic markets; and to minimize speculation and waste in marketing.

Republican Record
Without the help which the Repub

lican party has given, the agricultural situation would be infinitely worse than it is. The Capper-Volstead Act gave to the farmer the right to engage in collective buying and co-operative selling. In every possible way the Republican administration has endeavored to give practical and substantial effect to that right.

The Department of Agriculture fills an important place in the work of aiding and advising the farmer. It is our policy to widen each year as much as possible the scope of the Department's effectiveness. In the last year alone, \$2,298,172.00 was spent in particularly valuable research work covering numerous classes of agricultural products, including cattle and swine. It is estimated that \$4,157,887.00 will be required for this work for the coming year. Nearly \$3,000,000.00 is expended annually by the Department of Agriculture in broadening agricultural markets.

The development of inland waterways, and water transportation in general, is of great value to the agricultural sections of the country. An extensive project in this regard is now being executed. The last Congress has provided for a barge line to extend from St. Louis to Missouri River points, which when in full operation will bring decided relief in the difficulties and cost of transporting farm products. When the loss of the foreign market for our products was imminent because of insufficiency of ships in which to transport them, vessels of the United States Shipping Board were reconditioned and placed in service, thereby saving the market.

Tariff protection against foreign competition always has been given to farm products. The Fordney-McCumber Tariff Act carries higher rates of duty on agricultural products than any tariff law in the history of the nation. It has been found that certain of the duties are not high enough to give adequate protection to some of the products of the farm, and I believe it is the duty of Congress to provide rates high enough to protect such products against foreign competition. In addition, by this act, the duties have been lowered on most of the articles the farmers buy or they have been put upon the free list.

Appropriations have been made freely to aid the farmers in time of crop failures. The Federal Farm Loan System and the Intermediate credit banks have made available to farmers, on loans at a low rate of interest, more than \$2,500,000,000.00.

That effective help has been given to the farmer by the Republican party since it took charge on March 4, 1921, is indicated by the statement of the Washington office of the American Farm Bureau Federation. On page one of its Annual Report dated April 6, 1923, there appears the following:

"The passing of the 67th Congress into history marks an epoch in the undertaking of the American Farm Bureau's national legislative campaign. It is not too much to say that the twenty-six laws passed by that Congress, which were initiated and supported by us, are of far more importance to American agriculture than all the legislation relating to Agriculture passed since the adoption of our Constitution."

Though much has been done to ameliorate the farmers' situation, still more remains to be done, for there exists today a depression in Agriculture which in the best interests of all of the people, must be relieved.

Women in Government

Since the beginning of civilization, the right to vote, which is the right to have a decisive voice in the affairs of government, has been coveted and fought for. When obtained, it has been cherished by its possessors; hedged around with restrictions and qualifications; and extended to others only with reluctance. During the early period of our own government it was not every free man who was entitled to vote. Our present policy of universal suffrage is the growth of the years, and the recognition of woman's rights was particularly slow.

My personal stand on the question was at all times firmly and openly in favor of permitting women to vote. It is known and recognized that my active aid and support were instrumental to no small degree in procuring the action of the Senate on June 4, 1919, by which the 19th Amendment to the Constitution was proposed to the legislatures of the several states, and woman's right to the ballot was made effective August 26, 1920.

The mere right to vote, not exercised, is useless. As a matter of duty, women as well as men should exercise that right. There are in the United States today between twenty-six and twenty-seven million women over the age of twenty-one, entitled to vote. As the years pass, these women are becoming increasingly alive to their opportunity to take a large and important part in the management and control of the country's affairs; to enforce recognition, change and improvement in their own particular problems and those which most interest them; and to become a distinct power in deciding all questions of vital concern to every citizen regardless of sex.

Getting the Right Word

A little girl in Topeka was explaining to her grandfather that the pendulum of the clock had been broken. "What's the matter with the clock?" her grandfather asked. "The percolator broke," replied the little girl. "What is that?" asked the grandfather. "The percolator?" "Oh, I don't mean the percolator," replied the granddaughter. "That is what you hatch chickens in, isn't it?" —Kansas City Star.

Hoover At Ten



A photograph of the Republican presidential candidate taken at about the time of his mother's death.

Making of an Artist

Theodore Thomas had a boundless contempt for the musicians who went about seeking to advertise their calling in their dress and neckties. Once a nice young man with luxuriant locks, a long flowing tie and other insignia of the tribe artistic joined the orchestra. He was entirely ignorant of Mr. Thomas' pet aversion.

During his first rehearsal Thomas eyed the hirsute youth with manifest disfavor, and at the end motioned him aside. The famous conductor, with his arms akimbo, stood and gazed sardonically at the waving field of hair. Then he laid a finger on the young man's arm and said with no unkind accent:

"Practice, practice—not pomade—makes the artist."

The young man went out and asked the way to a barber's shop.—Kansas City Times.

Cultivated Sponges

Sponges are now cultivated like grain. It is strange to think of beds of sponges cultivated under the sea, but this is no stranger, after all, than beds of oysters.

The method is to cut up very fine, healthy, living sponges—a sponge is quite as lively as an oyster—into seeds. These seeds, about half an inch in diameter, are wired to blocks of cement and dropped into the submarine sponge bed. They mature in two years.

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Mrs. F. Louis Slade, former regional director of the League of Women Voters, has been made leader of the Women's Advisory Committee for the Hoover-Curtis ticket. She plans a widespread appeal to housewives. She reports that tremendous impetus is being given the Hoover campaign by women and women's organizations. Thousands of women who have not voted before are expected to come out and vote the Republican ticket this year.



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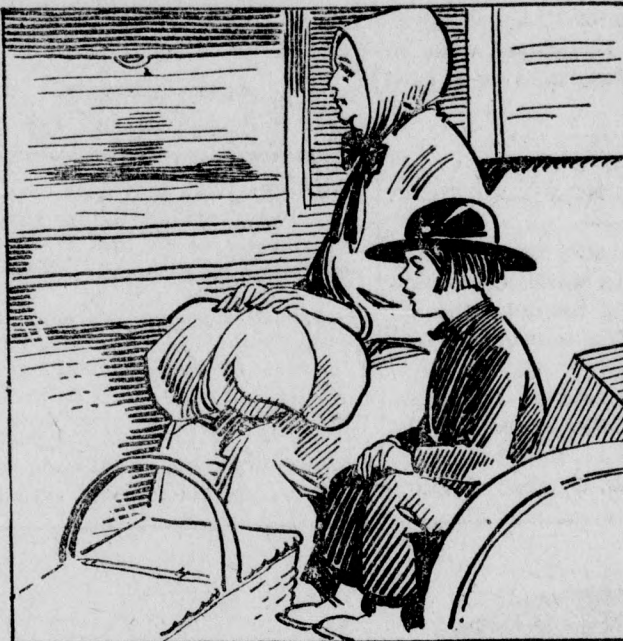
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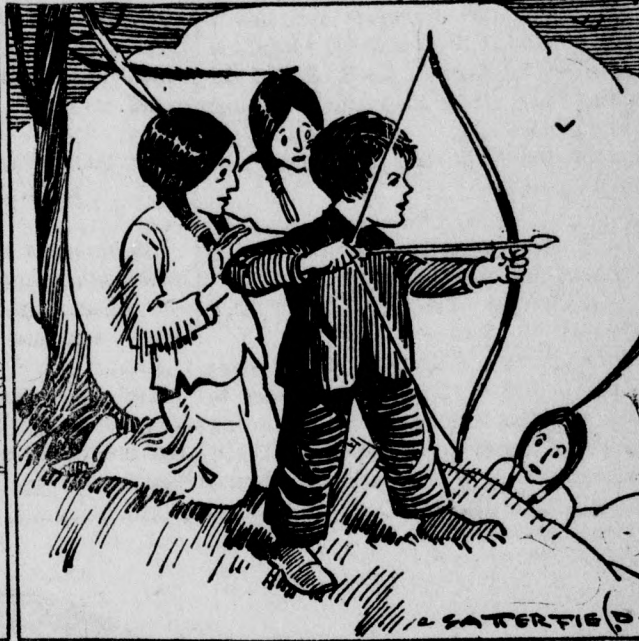
1. On August 10, 1874, Herbert Clarke Hoover was born in West Branch, Iowa. He had one brother and a sister.



2. As a boy, Herbert loved all sports and outdoor pastimes. In winter he delighted in snow sports.



3. Herbert's father died when he was six, and Aunt Agnes took him on a visit to Oklahoma.



4. The boy's playmates during this visit were little Osage Indian boys, who taught him many Indian sports.

Silver Utensils Once Prerogative of Rank

In the early days of civilization sterling silver was restricted to royalty and the nobility. In fact, we are told that at one period of England's history the number of sterling silver spoons and suchlike one could own were actually restricted and governed by statute. One could almost reconstruct the regulatory table—one lord, one spoon; one duke, four spoons; one princess, one chest, and so on. Sterling was displayed upon all cere-

monial occasions and these aristocrats of a far past day treasured their silver to as great an extent as the young bride of today.

Five hundred years ago, with the advent of the Florentine republic, a new era began. Foreign commerce brought wealth to men of lesser rank, who established magnificent homes and filled them with works of art and beauty, chief among which was sterling. Today sterling silver continues to be the inevitable tableware for the person of discrimination. Its use is not confined to the royal houses, nor even to the tables of the wealthy. It is available for every home of taste and moderate means.

You Never Can Tell

She came into the drug store several times a week to use the telephone booth, giving as a good reason that the rates were lower than if she telephoned from her apartment, and the service more prompt.

On every occasion she opened the door as far as it would go and looked carefully into the corners of the booth, so unfailingly that a clerk one day asked the reason.

"Seventeen years ago," she replied, "I dropped 5 cents on the floor while telephoning, and when I picked it up I found 30 cents lying right beside it. I thought it might possibly happen again."

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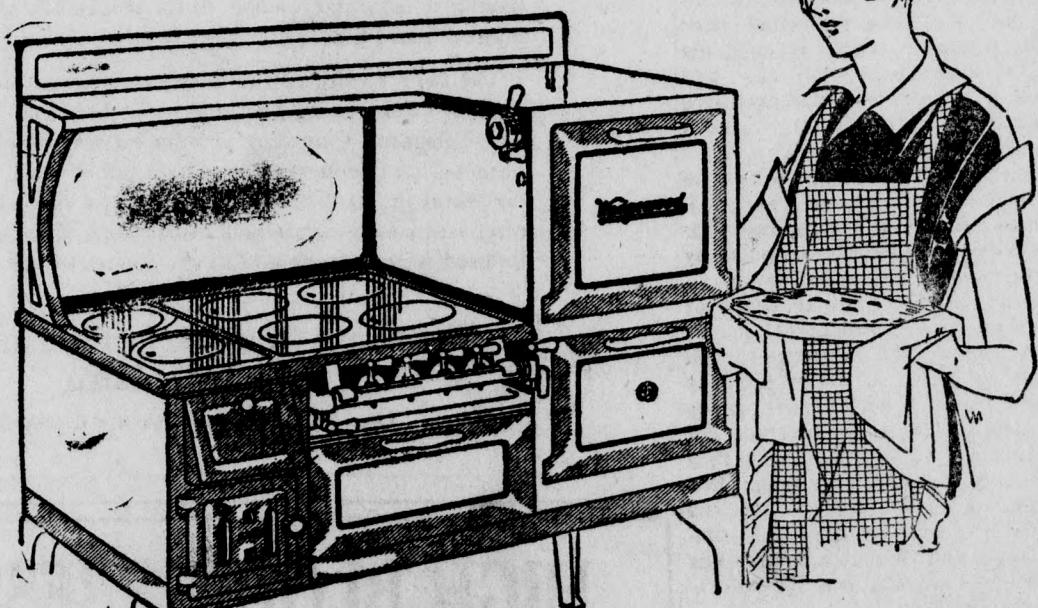
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MRS. M. CHRISTENSEN AD-
DRESSES WOMAN'S CLUB FED-
ERATION RELATIVE TO SAFETY

Mrs. Mona Christenson, president of the East Palo Alto Improvement Club addressed the San Mateo County Federation of Women's Clubs at its first regular meeting held Wednesday at Redwood City. Mrs. Christenson spoke advocating the establishment of a department in the federation to be known as the department of public safety and be in charge of a regularly appointed chairman.

After discussion, the suggestions of Mrs. Christenson were endorsed by the federation and the president, Mrs. Max Elftman, upon the suggestion of Mrs. Christenson, appointed Mrs. Elsa S. McGinn, president of the Woman's Club of San Mateo as chairman of public safety.

Mrs. A. Davis of East Palo Alto was elected county treasurer to fill the unexpired term of Mrs. V. Rousell, resigned.

Among those who attended from the vicinity of Palo Alto were: Mrs. Jay T. Cooper, first vice-president; Mrs. E. Gardner and Miss Stella E. Ely of the Menlo Park Study Club and Mesdames Christenson, A. E. Crosby, Lenn Follett and A. Davis of the East Palo Alto Woman's Club.

PALO ALTO PLANS TO SOON
TAKE OVER P. G. & E. DISTRIBUTING SYSTEM IN MAYFIELD

Plans for the completion in the near future of the negotiations necessary to take over the P. G. and E. distributing system of Mayfield, are about to reach consummation, it was announced un-

officially this week by the engineering department of the city.

A survey, it is said, under the direction of Mr. McKay of the railroad commission has just been completed and a hearing will be held in the near future at which time the price for the holdings will be set.

City officials maintain that the taking over of the distributing system will mean a reduction in present prices of gas in Mayfield of from 15 to 20 per cent.

PALO ALTO JOINS IN EFFORT
TO GET PROPORTIONATE
SHARE OF STATE GAS TAX

The Palo Alto city council went on record Tuesday evening as in favor of a re-apportionment of the gasoline tax so that each city would receive its proportionate share of all money collected. The question arose as a result of a letter received from the city clerk of Chico, asking that Palo Alto join with the other municipalities of California in an effort to have the cities receive the taxes collected on gasoline within their limits. The councilmen went on record as unanimously in favor of such a law.

EAST PALO ALTO WATER
SYSTEM NOW FUNCTIONS

One hundred and fifty East Palo Alto homes are furnished water by the new system first opened there by the recently organized East Palo Alto Water District.

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Insanity Not Often Caused by Overstudy

"It is a fallacy to believe that overstudy causes insanity. Overstudy like any mental overwork causes a state of exhaustion and brain fog. Too much study, which prevents the enjoyable realities of play and recreation, will not cause a mental breakdown in a person who is not liable to insanity," states Dr. Alexander S. Hershfield, Illinois state alienist.

"It is admitted that among those students who devote too much time to learning and to making high grades there are many who are normal mentally. Mental disease and overstudy are common enough to be found together occasionally. A well-balanced boy or girl finds sports, friendships and sex of sufficient importance to act as an antidote to overstudy and general school grind. In fact, it is normal for youth to find study irksome when it interferes with its fun. "Insanity resulting from overstudy is merely a coincidence, and closer examination of such a case will usually show other causes."

Operator Cut In on Concert for Invalid

A young man of the city, confined to his home with a bad throat, answered his telephone sometime after midnight recently. Three girls of his acquaintance announced that they had prepared a concert for his exclusive entertainment, and that he should "please stand by."

The girls then put their telephone at one end of their piano, and got a ukulele to fill out the harmony. All three of them (semiprofessionals, by the way) sang to the soft accompaniment, doing all the popular songs of the moment, to the unbounded joy of the sick young man, who had been dying for company all evening. They continued for the better part of an hour, when suddenly an operator cut in, presumably to find out why they were holding the phone so long. She had begun a sharp tirade when the music got the best of her. She listened silently and then in a minute she broke in and requested a song—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Plants Reveal Ore

Several remarkable examples where beds of ore were revealed by plants growing on the surface above are summarized by Liggely in the proceedings of the Australian Mining Institute. The *Amorpha canescens* shrub indicates the presence of galena, the lead sulphide ore, in Michigan, while in Missouri a plant belonging to the poison sumach family serves the same purpose, as a lead ore indicator. Beech trees often indicate that limestone beds are to be found in the neighborhood. In Spain a sort of bindweed, known as *Convolvulus athaoides*, is deemed of high value in betraying the presence of underlying deposits of phosphate ore. The plant *Erigonum ovalifolium* discloses the existence of silver ore in Montana. The calamine violet, which grows in upper Silesia, Westphalia and Belgium, is a sign of the existence of calamine, the zinc ore, in the neighborhood.

The Menlo Park Parent Teacher Association will hold its regular meeting today.

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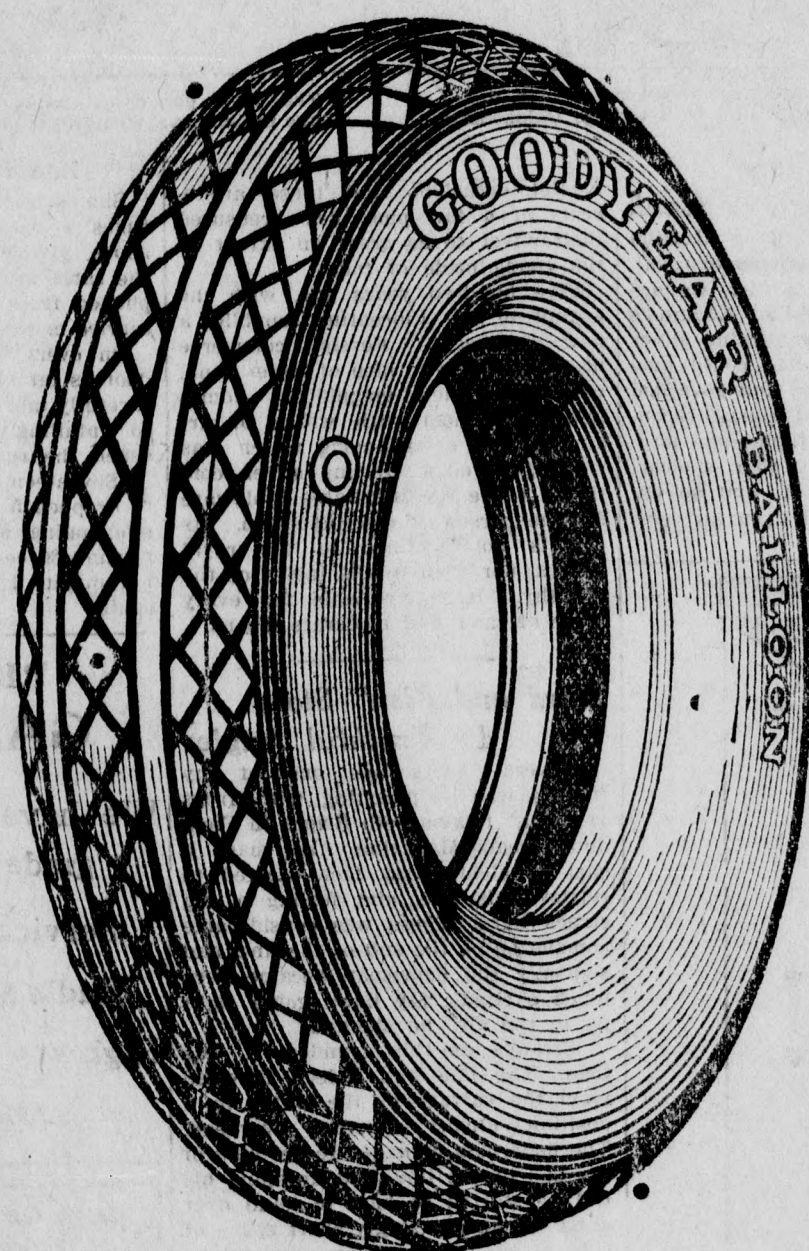
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